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Lt. Col. David Green of the 560th Flying Training Squadron shows Secretary of the Air Force Michael Wynne a T-38 Talon during the secretary's visit to Randolph June 1. (Photo by Joel Martinez)

Secretary Wynne visits Randolph Airmen, civilians

By Tech. Sgt. Ryan Mattox Air Force Print News

SAN ANTONIO (AFPN) – Hundreds of Randolph Airmen and civilians gathered in the officer's club June 1 to hear Secretary of the Air Force Michael Wynne discuss the importance of core values, technology and training facing today's Airmen and the Air Force.

The luncheon was just one of many stops the Secretary made as he visited various military installations in the San Antonio area May 31 through June 2.

The secretary focused on what the Air Force expects from its Airmen and, in turn, what they can expect from the Air Force in accomplishing the mission.

"The Air Force expects them to adhere to the Air Force core values," he said during an Air Force News Agency interview June 2. "The core values of the Air Force can carry you through a very long career, and they really do matter as to how you approach the mission."

The secretary emphasized "Excellence in all we do"

Numbers reflect days ahead or behind for senior

pilot instructor training class and an average for all PIT classes currently in training.

as something Airmen should practice daily. He said Airmen are expected to continue to excel in gaining knowledge about their jobs and being accountable for the job they do.

"As Airmen grow in their career fields, I encourage them to educate themselves over time because education gives them the power to create opportunities and to accept more responsibility," he said.

With those expectations being so high in today's Air Force, Airmen are often asked to work on the nation's most technologically advanced missions and equipment, specifically those involved with the war on terrorism

"We have to remember that our Air Force has been at war for 15 years, and the products and technology we use against the enemy are completely different than ones we have used in the past," Secretary Wynne said.

"Sometimes I refer to our Air Force as adaptable and flexible," he said. "We have to adopt those technologies that have been developed and delivered to us to fight in a different way this current enemy."

With technology so critical to mission success, the

Air Force needs to continue its dominance in airpower and ensure it can continue to provide support in the war on terrorism.

"We do things differently. As a result we use (unmanned aerial vehicles) and we have our fighters equipped with reconnaissance equipment in lieu of just going after enemy aircraft," he said.

"As a result, no American Soldier has been attacked from the air in more than 53 years. The reason for that is we have an expectation now of air dominance," the secretary said. "We know that the air is clear and if anything is up there it's an American aircraft or a coalition aircraft. There is a whole different aspect of warfare that occurs. So we need to continue to push this technology and stay in the realm of air dominance."

However, the sky is not the limit to where the Air Force finds itself battling an enemy.

"We are also entering into cyberspace, and we are now recognizing that it's the battlefield of the future, if not the battlefield of the present. We need to be prepared for it," he said.

See **Secretary** on page 6

12th Flying Training Wing Training Status Navigator, EWO Students Pilot Instructor Training Wing Flying Hour Program As of Monday 562nd FTS 563rd FTS Aircraft Required Flown Annual Squadron Seniors Overall 10,725 7060.5 7194.6 CSO/NFO **CSO Graduate EWO** T-1A 99th FTS 0.0 11500.1 17,196 **USAF** 257 **OPS** 55 International 11 T-6A 11262.0 558th FTS -1.9 -3.3 T-37B 3612.0 Advanced EW 23 **EWC Course** 3787.8 5,796 Navy 34 559th FTS -5.2 -1.2 Intro to EW T-38C 6376.8 9,937 International 0 6510.5 8 Integration 21 560th FTS 0.0 -0.5291 99 11 T-43 2523.0 2507.6 3,982 Total in Training

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Col. Richard Clark
12th Flying Training Wing commander

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Leaders must develop leaders

By Lt. Col. Robert Jackson12th Mission Support Squadron commander

The American people have entrusted Air Force commanders with an incredible amount of responsibility. Early in World War II, Gen. George C. Marshall was asked if America had a secret weapon to win the war.

"We do indeed," he replied, "the best damn kids in the world."

He was right then and the same holds true today. Our Airmen and civilians are those secret weapons, and commanding them is a great honor and privilege. As a first time commander, I have learned that with that awesome privilege great responsibility follows.

Retired Gen. Hal Hornburg, who commanded at all levels, including at the Air Education and Training Command, articulated to his commanders, "your primary responsibility is to develop more leaders to bring people up in your organization. Make them better than they were when they first joined it. Make your organization better than it was when you assumed command."

The following are suggestions that can guide commanders along the path to successfully developing leaders in their organizations.

Invest some time. For the purposes of developing others beyond today's challenges, do not just spend time with others. This is mentoring – really another word for leading. As we advance to positions of greater responsibility, the Air Force demands more of us. However, many times it does not properly prepare us.

I can recall my experience as a second lieutenant with my first commander, Maj. Jeff Westberg, fresh from the U.S. Air Force Academy faculty. He would set aside one hour twice a week for lessons on leadership in organizations. His efforts truly laid a solid foundation for my career.

Focus on feedback. People need continuous feedback from you and others to grow. Always conduct your formal feedback, but also arrange for them to get feedback from other people on what matters for success in their future.

For your part, you have to be willing to be straight with your people and give them accurate and balanced feedback. Give as much real-time feedback as you have time for. Encourage your folks to reflect and provide feedback on their own performance.

As a first lieutenant, my supervisor would have me complete my own feedback form prior to our formal session and we would compare observations. This proved an invaluable tool for self assessment.

Create development plans. You need to put together a development plan that, if followed, actually would work. This is imperative for both military and civilians in your organization. Assist them in establishing realistic goals and make maximum use of the resources available such as career pyramids, professional development plans and development team input and vectors. Equally important, is the time taken to review the progress or required changes.

Delegate for development. Create opportunities for your subordinates to master new skills. Flexibility remains the key



"When you build leaders, your investment grows not by addition but by multiplication because you will not only affect the people you touch, you will also affect people you will never meet."

to airpower. Have subordinates trade duties, even if only on a temporary basis, when feasible. Assign each of your subordinates an out-of-comfort-zone task that meets the following criteria: the task needs to be done, the person has never performed/isn't good at it, and the task calls for a skill the person needs to develop.

As we continue to operate in a severely resourceconstrained environment, skills enhancement and crossutilization will become even more critical to mission accomplishment. This approach also fosters team work and an additional appreciation for others contributions to the overall mission.

Sell it. Part of developing others is convincing people that tough, new, challenging and different assignments are good for them. Commanders must help subordinates understand that truly developing involves getting out of their comfort zone

Build perspective. Give your subordinates opportunities to expand outside of your unit. Help them in broadening their perspectives. Volunteer them for tiger teams, task forces, and working groups of the cross functional nature. Have them attend meetings that include people from other areas. Open up the world to them so they can better judge for themselves what's out there and what part of it they want.

The key to success in the long term and in a greater leadership capacity is to grasp the big picture.

If you develop leaders, you will invest your time in others. When you build leaders, your investment grows not by addition but by multiplication because you will not only affect the people you touch, you will also affect people you will never meet.

Leaders who develop leaders want to be succeeded. Leaders who develop leaders focus on people's strengths. Leaders who develop leaders treat people differently because they are different. Leaders who develop leaders delegate power.

The first duty of a leader is to develop more leaders.

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Congratulations Retirees

Tuesday
Lt. Col. Randal Gescheidle
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Retirement announcements should be submitted to the Wingspread office by noon Friday two weeks prior to the desired date of publication.

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Military honors

Americans should pay respect to comrades in arms

By William Scott Hubbartt-Backus Retired chief master sergeant

There are three special days specifically set aside each year to honor United States veterans and our comrades in arms. These holidays include Memorial Day and Armed Forces Day, which have already passed this year, and Flag Day, which is Wednesday.

Sadly we too often overlook these opportunities to pay our respect and recognize the sacrifice and service of these individuals.

These three special days, specifically set aside by our nation to honor those currently serving in the military and those heroes who have fallen, are intended to in some small gesture express the sentiments of a grateful nation. So what does it say of us when we brush that honor aside?

I recognize that our lives today are busier and more complicated than ever. We have so much going on with school getting out, visiting relatives, graduations, and any number of other competing priorities. After all, who of us is not grateful for a day off? Finally, we have a chance to sleep in, fire up the grill, catch a new summer blockbuster and recharge our batteries.

It is perhaps easy to seek and find forgiveness for not making it out to the veterans' cemetery last Memorial Day. But this observance is important.

Beginning during the Civil War, Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, was set aside to recognize the nation's war dead by decorating their graves. In nearly every community in America you

FLAG DAY

can find the final resting places of our veterans.

Additionally, there are 123 national cemeteries as well as at least 84 state and territorial veterans' cemeteries.

How difficult is it to drive out to the local cemetery and pay our respects? Perhaps you did just that last Monday, and if you did I thank you. If not, I hope you will do so soon. Our fallen brethren won't mind a bit if you visit their marker later in the year.

Another important observance is Armed Forces Day. In 1950, President Harry S. Truman spearheaded efforts to set aside a single holiday when Americans could gather and collectively thank our military personnel for their service to the These days there is a generous outpouring of support and gratitude from most Americans ranging from yellow ribbons and bumper stickers to welcome home parades for returning combat troops. On May 20 the nation did well in observing this one.

Then there is that third special day, June 14, set aside to honor another veteran – a faithful comrade who has accompanied each of us and every service member before us to stations and battlefields in virtually every corner of the globe.

For more than two centuries this veteran has been faithful and is always ready for a parade.

Our friend was there at the cemetery last Monday when we were too busy. Not to fret, she was present and accounted for, standing tall on Armed Forces Day. In fact, our friend is always there and often overlooked and taken for granted.

Of course I am speaking of Old Glory, the United States flag. Always faithful and decked out in full glorious parade dress uniform, our friend has guided and comforted countless of our comrades in arms. No doubt each of us can recall an example of our friend being present and evoking emotion in each of our lives. Perhaps in a parade, at a funeral, on the battlefield or the tail of a plane, or over an embassy in a foreign land our friend is always there and loves to be on parade.

So, I ask you, Wednesday on the observance of Flag Day, hoist Old Glory up, salute, and give our old friend the respect and recognition she deserves.

NEWS

Base honors enlisted pilots at luncheon

By Bob Hieronymus Wingspread staff writer

The Randolph Top Three hosts a special luncheon honoring enlisted pilots Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the enlisted club.

The event is open to the base public, but seating is limited. Tickets are available through unit Top Three representatives.

Retired Brig. Gen. Ed Wengler is the guest speaker. He offers a unique perspective of the military, having served as an enlisted pilot in World War II before earning his commission. Also scheduled to attend is Carroll Shelby, an enlisted pilot who went on to become a world class racecar driver and designer of muscle cars for the Ford Motor Company.

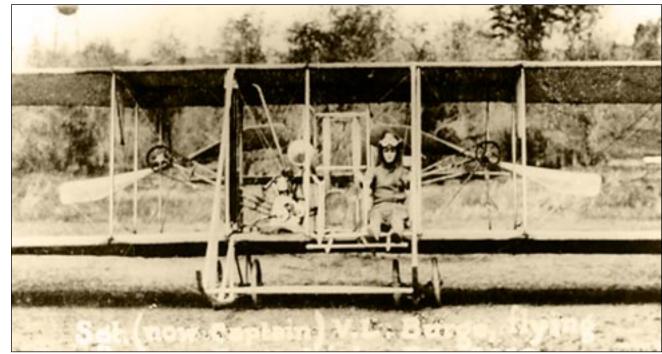
Enlisted pilots have been a part of the American military since the early days of aerial flight.

Cpl. Vernon Burge was on one of the Army's Signal Corps balloon operations teams when he learned to fly airplanes without benefit of a formal training program.

He was one of the ground crew when Lt. Benjamin Foulois made the first flight of a military aircraft at Fort Sam Houston on March 2, 1910. Burge is credited as the Army's first enlisted pilot.

Another enlisted pilot who contributed much to Army and Air Force history was William Ocker, who flew as a sergeant in World War I. He went on to accept a commission after the war and was responsible for the development of "blind flying." Today, this is known as the science of flying on instruments, a science every military and commercial pilot in the world must master. The Randolph simulator building, Building 738, is named in Mr. Ocker's honor.

Official military records show there were 3,007 enlisted pilots in the U.S. Army between 1912 and 1942, when the Army ended its formal training program for them. The enlisted pilots flew every type of aircraft in the Army inventory, from trainers to the



Cpl. Vernon Burge controls a military Wright Flyer in 1912. He was the first Army enlisted pilot. (Enlisted Heritage Museum photo)

heaviest bombers. They were especially noted for their work as artillery spotters during World War II, flying the single-engine liaison aircraft also known as "grasshoppers."

The washout rate for trainees in the enlisted pilots training programs frequently ran more than 50 percent, but those who successfully completed the rigorous programs were highly motivated Airmen. From their ranks came 17 fighter aces and 11 general officers.

Starting in 1942, the Army offered commissions to those enlisted pilots who qualified for the rank and many of them accepted. A total of 760 of them later retired as field grade officers (major through colonel) after long careers in the service.

These numbers reflect only the Army's enlisted pilot program, which the Air Force can now claim as part of its aviation heritage. The Navy, Marines and Coast Guard accounted for another 3,700 enlisted pilots.

Those interested in attending the luncheon can purchase tickets through Top Three members. Tickets cost \$10 for club members and \$12 for all others.

Points of contact for purchasing tickets are: Air Education and Training Command, Master Sgt. Amy Rancier at 652-9182; Air Force personnel Center, Master Sgt. Christine Rizzo at 565-3614; Air Force Recruiting Service, Master Sgt. Maria Abrego at 565-0609; 12th Flying Training Wing, Master Sgt. Shirley Jones at 652-4376; 19th Air Force and other units, Master Sgt. Jay Ekis at 652-7338.

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HARM technician wins Air Force award

By Bob Hieronymus Wingspread staff writer

A Randolph civilian was recently selected as the Air Force Aviation Resource Management Journeyman Civilian for 2005.

David Rodriguez, 12th Operations Support Squadron host aviation resource manager, said he was happily surprised upon receiving the news, especially after just hearing that he was named the Air Education and Training Command **HARM** Technician for 2005 in May.

"It takes a team working together to make it all happen," he said. "I enjoy coming to work every day, especially working with the people I do.

"I'm happy I could be the one recognized, but I've learned a lot from them. I feel we all contributed



David Rodriguez

"Quality assurance always begins with the people who do the detailed work and David Rodriguez sets the standard for everyone."

> Tito Castaneda Flight records functional manager

to winning the award."

As the host aviation resource manager, Mr. Rodriguez is responsible for the daily maintenance of aviation records for 1,427 aviators.

"We have more aviation records to track than any other AETC base," said Castaneda, flight records functional manager. "We have to stay on top of details that affect every aviator supported by Randolph.

"Quality assurance always begins

with the people who do the detailed work and David Rodriguez sets the standard for everyone."

Mr. Rodriguez has been working as a HARM technician for just over two vears now. He retired from the Air Force in 2000 as a master sergeant and has a Bachelor of Science degree in social psychology.

Mr. Rodriguez and his wife Patricia have two sons. Jonathan is 21 years old and Jeremy is 16.



2nd Lt. Paul Allen C-130 North Carolina ANG



2nd Lt. Edward Bergeland EC-130 (EWO) Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.



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2nd Lt. Matthew Todd 2nd Lt. Andrew Van Der Volgen AC-130 Hurlburt Field, Fla.

graduate today

Fourteen Air Force and four Navy aviators receive their navigator and naval flight officer wings during a Combat Systems Officer graduation ceremony here today.

The ceremony is at 10 a.m. in the Randolph Officers'

The guest speaker is retired Col. Eddie Pickrel, 562nd Flying Training Squadron T-43 mission commander.

Mr. Pickrel is a command pilot with more than 6,500 flying hours, which include 1,000 combat hours, all flown in the F-4 and F-16. His military awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit with one oak leaf cluster and

the Distinguished Flying Cross with four oak leaf clusters. He retired in October 1997, after serving as the Air Education and Training Command long range plans chief. Prior to that, he served as the 17th Air Force Operations Division chief and the U.S. Air Forces Europe Operations and Support Inspection Division chief.

Col. David Allvin, 12th Flying Training Wing vice commander, is presenting the students with their respective service's silver wings or gold wings, as well as presenting four special awards during the ceremony for student achievement.

NEWS BRIEFS

Housing requirements survey

The Randolph housing office requests all service members complete a voluntary Web-based survey about their housing requirements. The results of the survey will help to make a housing forecast for the local area for the next five years.

Members living on or off base are asked to complete the 15-minute survey by going to http://www.airforcehousingsurvey.us.

At the welcome screen, select Randolph from the pull-down menu and enter the password rand6947 (case sensitive). The survey will not retain any personally identifiable information.

For more information, call Bette McAndrew, 652-3334.

PA announces marquee policy

People who want to post official unit events or retirement announcements on the electronic marquee, located on Harmon Drive inside the main gate, should e-mail their proposed messages to randolph.marquee@randolph.af.mil at least one week prior to the date they want them displayed.

Public affairs staff members will edit the announcement to fit the marquee layout and to standardize formatting.

For more information about posting items on the marquee, call Armando Perez at 652-2305.

12th MDG closes

The 12th Medical Group closes Wednesday at 3 p.m. for a commander's

Pre-kindergarten registration

A change in state law passed during the recent special session of the Texas Legislature allows all pre-kindergarten age children of active military members to attend school starting in August.

Parents can register their children through Thursday at the Randolph Elementary School. Enrollment is optional under the state law.

Students must be four years old on or before Sept. 1. There are no longer any language or income eligibility standards. Policy dictates that the school only accepts students who reside on base.

When registering children, parents must bring a proof of residency, their driver's license and child's immunization record. Social Security card and birth certificate.

Pre-kindergarten classes are offered on a half-day basis from 8-11 a.m. or 12:15-3:15 p.m.

For more information, call 357-2345.

MyPay

The MyPay Website allows customers to access their pay information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, without the need to write letters or fill out forms.

Some benefits include viewing and printing tax and leave and earning statements, updating bank account and electronic fund transfer information and making address changes.

Although customers do not receive a written confirmation, the paperless system displays a "no later than" date before and after each change is accepted.

For more information, call 1st Lt. Eric Doggett at 652-6944.

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For more information, call 652-5760.



Alma Patricia Webb

Unit: 12th Logistics Readiness Division

Duty Title: Freight Rate Assistant

Hometown: Dallas

Hobbies: Spending time with my son, shopping

and exploring San Antonio.

Goals: To be a good example for my family and exceed in everything that I do.

Greatest Accomplishment: Serving my country by joining the U.S. Air Force and being able to take part in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Personal Inspiration: God and my 4-year-old son, Alonzio Webb, Jr. **Personal Motto:** "Treat people the way you would like to be treated." **Pet Peeve:** I don't have a pet peeve. I try not to let other people's actions bother me.

Leader's Comments: Ms. Webb is a versatile and dependable civilian employee and technician. Her prior Air Force military service, which also consisted of two 6-month deployments to the Middle-East, instilled within her a superior work-ethic. She is always on time for each task, a dependable volunteer for every need and accomplishes all her tasks in an outstanding manner, regardless of the importance. Ms. Webb is someone who we trust to take on a task and complete it in a superior manner without the need of supervision.

Billie Wiley

12th Logistics Readiness Division director

To submit a junior officer, enlisted member or civilian employee for the Showplace Showcase column, commanders can send an e-mail to Staff Sgt. Beth Del Vecchio at elizabeth.delvecchio@randolph.af.mil. or call her at 652-5760 for details.

19th AF commander urges Airman to embrace change

By Staff Sgt. Beth Del Vecchio Wingspread staff writer

Hundreds of Randolph Airmen and civilians gathered at the base theater Tuesday for the 19th Air Force commander's call.

Maj. Gen. Marc Rogers, 19th AF commander, spoke about the importance of noncommissioned officers and squadron commanders, their role in the future of the Air Force and how the Global War on Terrorism is affecting the Air Force.

General Rogers spoke on the importance of embracing change in today's Air Force.

"All of the changes our Air Force is undergoing now are for good reasons," said General Rogers. "The changes will affect the Air Force's viability and capability to do the mission decades from now."

General Rogers said Airmen must be able to adapt to the changes.

The Air Force is the smallest it has been in history, but the most professional and the most capable, he said.

The general went on to say that the two most important positions in the Air Force are NCOs and squadron commanders.

"We are a very professional force because of the NCOs and commanders who are face to face with the Airmen along the way shaping them into the Airmen they need to be," he said.

General Rogers went on to speak about the Global War on Terrorism and how Airmen should be ready for a long war and prepared to fight as long as they have to.

"We are fighting an uncanny enemy who is here to stay," he said. "We are here to stay too and here to deal with them."

The general emphasized that the stateside mission of the 12th Flying Training Wing is just as important to the Global War on Terrorism as downrange deployments. The successful completion of the 12th FTW's mission directly contributes to the training of our future force.

"We are shaping the Air Force that we will read about 15 years from now," said General Rogers. "We should be proud of what we read about."

Summer moves

JPPSO gives families tips for PCS season

By Bob Hieronymus Wingspread staff writer

Summertime means permanent change of station for many Air Force people and that means the traffic management office has a heavy workload.

"We processed 1,317 commercial moves last year between April and August," said Lucille Hays, 12th Logistics Readiness Division traffic management officer. "Then there were 791 personally procured moves, but many of those were partially commercial under split shipping procedures."

Arranging for these moves takes some time, said Ms. Hays.

"We must generate the requests through the local Joint Personnel Property Shipping Office and they handle the contracts with commercial movers," she said. "Although the process from first request to the packing of household goods can take as little as five days, during this peak moving season 30 days is a better planning figure."

Planning for a permanent change of station, or even an extended temporary duty assignment, is a fact of life every Airman faces. Sorting through the various requirements and entitlements for moves is the first step in the process.

People should contact TMO as soon as orders are in hand, Ms. Hays said. TMO can help answer questions and explain details to make the process smooth.

Another important part of the moving process that requires prior planning is the day when the moving crews arrive to start packing up the household goods, Ms. Hayes said.

Little children can be a considerable distraction, Ms. Hays recalled from her personal experience.

"It's a good idea to place small children in day care or with friends while the packers and movers are there," she said. "That way you can closely monitor the work, note any irregularities and answer questions before potential problems become crises."

Once the move is accomplished, people sometimes have questions or claims they wish to file, Ms. Hayes.

The JPPSO quality assurance staff is available to help with any claims, but it is important to identify any problems immediately, even before signing the shipper's release forms, she said

Customers can call JPPSO at 321-4200 during regular duty hours, and at 321-2027 after hours. Customers should select the choice for "property inspector" on the afterhours line.



Frank Rocha (left) and Edgar DeLeon, local moving company employees, lower a washing machine down the front stairs of one of the base quarters as they load a moving van with household goods. (Photo by Steve White)

Mission in Iraq special airs Sunday

By Dewey Mitchell

Wilford Hall Medical Center Public Affairs

A prime time broadcast, "San Antonio's Mission in Iraq," will prominently feature Wilford Hall Medical Center personnel deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom to the Air Force Theater Hospital at Balad Air Base, Iraq.

The hour-long documentary airs at 9 p.m. Sunday on News 4 WOAI, the NBC affiliate station in San Antonio. News 4 anchorman Randy Beamer produced the special after traveling to Balad in April. The special will be broadcast free of commercial interruption.

The documentary, a culmination of more than five months' of work, began with the 59th Medical Wing Public Affairs staff polling local media for interest in a



News 4 WOAI anchorman Randy Beamer films patients arriving by helicopter at the Air Force Theater Hospital at Balad Air Base, Iraq. (Photo by Dewey Mitchell)

trip to the Air Force Theater Hospital to highlight the life saving work of the 59th Medical Wing members deployed there. WOAI quickly responded to the opportunity and anchorman Randy Beamer worked with the Public Affairs office to travel to Balad in April.

Prior to the team leaving, Hollywood television writer, Jeff Eckerle, was also added to the trip along with a public affairs escort Capt. Mary Danner from the Air Force Entertainment Liaison Office.

Mr. Eckerle works with a production group planning to market a TV series centered around

Critical Care Air Transport teams deploying from Wilford Hall

On the 10-day trip, the journalist and writer also had time to conduct interviews and tour facilities at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center and the Contingency Aeromedical Staging Facility at Ramstein Air Base, Germany.

During their four-day stay at Balad, Mr. Beamer and Mr. Eckerle conducted dozens of interviews, flew on a "dust off" mission to transport the wounded by helicopter from Baghdad to Balad and witnessed mortar attacks on the base.



News 4 WOAI anchorman Randy Beamer (right) interviews Scottish contractor Tony Mitchell in a ward at the Air Force Theater Hospital at Balad Air Base, Iraq. Mr. Mitchell had undergone surgery to remove shrapnel from head injuries after a mortar attack hit his security detail. (Photo by Dewey Mitchell)

The local anchorman interviewed injured Iraqis and a Scottish contractor as well as American servicemen who were being treated at the hospital. He also witnessed medical care being given to wounded insurgents.

Both members of the media were able to witness and interview aeromedical evacuation crews and CCAT teams as they cared for patients being flown out of the war zone and on to the next level of care at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center.

The hour-long documentary features highlights from the hours of footage and interviews Mr. Beamer accomplished during his travels.

DDRP cuts ribbon, waiting time

By Staff Sgt Beth Del Vecchio Wingspread staff writer

A ribbon cutting ceremony Tuesday marks the official move of the Drug Demand Reduction Program from the base clinic to Building 863.

The new location, on the south side of base across from the water tower, will help simplify the drug testing process and cut down the wait time for people providing samples.

"We couldn't test military and civilians at the same time in our old office in the clinic," said Jeff Kidd, Randolph Drug Demand Reduction Program manager. "We could collect samples from military members at our location but civilians had to report to the lab and we would have to leave our office to collect the sample there."

Now in its own facility, the DDRP also has the benefit of dedicated restrooms immediately accessible to its customers. In its previous location, customers had to use single-room public restrooms down the hall from where they checked in at.

"Now if the person being tested is ready to give the sample the facilities are five feet away," said Mr. Kidd. "A

person can be in and out in five minutes."

The DDRP is responsible for testing all military members and Department of Defense civilians assigned to Randolph and ROTC detachments in the area.

In 2005, the DDRP collected 3,623 military and 335 civilian samples. Although located in the clinic, the DDRP is not a medical program.

"This is a common misconception," said Mr. Kidd. "We are an installation program and only attached to the medical group for administrative purposes."

The DDRP collects all of the military members' samples and transports them to the drug testing laboratory at Brooks City Base, Texas, where they are tested

"We are at an advantage being located so close to the testing lab," said Mr. Kidd. "We have a very quick turn around for results."

On average, results usually are returned within two to three days for a negative result or up to a week for analysis on a positive result.

The DDRP office is open from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Those selected for random testing are notified through their commander's support staff.

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Secretary

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"Space is another area where we can't afford to lose our dominance, and the Air Force played an enormous role in the area of space over time," Secretary Wynne said. "As new space equipment comes online we are also learning to use it in a very new and unique and different way."

Besides equipment and missions, changing the way the Air Force trains was necessary for continued success. For example, basic military training is expanding by a couple of weeks to help today's Airmen and prepare for changing missions.

"This is an exciting time to see a totally integrated Air Force supporting a totally integrated joint warfight in this aspect of interdependence... a new way of thinking and a new cultural approach integrating the Army, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard," he said.

"Our training regime is excellent and it is changing as well. We needed to expand it to really take on the new missions we are taking on," he said.

"We feel a big responsibility to make sure our Airmen have rifle training, combat medic training and equipment needed to do combat missions or their usual technical missions, which is what we expect them to do," Secretary Wynne said. "So, this range of effort that is going on has expanded the horizons of our Airmen to the point where they are very excited to be a part of our Air Force, and they should be."

During the secretary's tour of Randolph, he visited the Air Education and Training Command, Air Force Recruiting Service, Air Force Personnel Center and 12th Flying Training Wing. He also visited wounded Airmen at Brooke Army Medical Center and met with trainees going through basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base.

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FCC program names its Provider of the Year

By Jennifer ValentinWingspread staff writer

The 12th Services Division recently announced the Randolph Family Child Care Provider of the Year for 2006

Criscinda Rivera was honored during a ceremony May 12 at the officers' club.

"I was excited to be recognized for my work," Ms. Rivera said. "To be acknowledged as Provider of the Year is an honor. I owe my accomplishment to my FCC coordinator and my family."

Ms. Rivera has been a provider for 18 years. She currently cares for six children ranging from 22 months to 4 years old.

"I do a lot of different activities with the children, focusing on their language and social skills," she said. "I also focus on the children's growth and development."

The child care provider said she enjoys her job because she has the opportunity to see the children grow and mature.

"We get the chance to grow together," she said.
"Knowing that I have an effect on their lives, and that they have an effect on mine is a wonderful experience."

There are currently seven Randolph child care providers. Three providers work on base and four providers work off base.

"We are lucky to have such great providers in our program," said Essie Howard, FCC coordinator. "Crissy is a great example of the dedicated members who care about our military children."

FCC providers care for children through age 12. They are trained and licensed through the FCC program.

For more information on the family child care program and how to become a provider, call 652-3668.



Provider Criscinda Rivera plays with the children she takes care of as part of the family child care program. (Photo by Jennifer Valentin)

From the top



Performers from the Tops in Blue "What's Love?" tour showcase one of their song and dance routines Saturday between Hangars 4 and 5. Tops in Blue is one of the oldest and most widely traveled entertainment groups of its kind, visiting bases throughout the United States and more than 25 foreign countries during its ninemonth tour. (Photo by Steve White)

Security forces offers travel safety tips

By Jennifer ValentinWingspread staff writer

Now that school is out many families are packing up their cars and heading to the beach for summer fun.

But before families hurry off to their vacation destination, they may want to take a few precautionary measures, said base security forces officials.

One of the biggest things people forget to do is properly secure their home before they head out of town, said Mance Clark, 12th Security Forces Squadron installation antiterrorism officer.

"People should make sure their mail and newspapers are stopped or picked up by a trusted neighbor while they are gone," Mr. Clark said. "They should also turn their phone ringer off and make sure they don't say they are out of town in their outgoing answering machine message."

Mr. Clark also recommends people have a trusted neighbor or friend check on their home while they are away. "They can even park their car in the driveway, or turn on various lights in the house on different days to give the home a 'lived-in' look," Mr. Clark said.

People should also keep their shrubs trimmed so trespassers can't hide in them and their curtains or blinds closed so people can't peer inside the home, he said. Gates should also be locked.

Mr. Clark said it is important for people to leave a copy of their travel itinerary with someone they trust.

"Someone back home should always have a copy of your travel itinerary, so they know where you are expected to be during the vacation in case of an emergency," Mr. Clark said.

The antiterrorism officer said people should also be cautious while traveling to their destination.

When traveling by plane, people should keep their luggage with them at all times and be aware of their surroundings while in the airport.

Those traveling by car should get their vehicle inspected in advance by an auto mechanic to make sure it's in good working condition, said Mr. Clark.

People should also bring a cell phone with a car

charger with them in case of an emergency, he said.

Other important safety items to carry include a spare tire, flares, map, flashlight and first aid kit.

According to the Crime Prevention Tips Web site, drivers should also have a minimum of half a tank of gas in their vehicle at all times.

If drivers feel they are in danger, they should call the police, honk their horn loudly or pull into a busy, well-lit area as soon as they can, according to the Web site.

Drivers should also travel to a safe location to change a flat tire.

"When stopping to take a break, people should always choose a safe, well known area with a lot of people," Mr. Clark said.

Travelers should also take the same caution when selecting a hotel. Once they have selected one, they should also consider where in the hotel they stay, said Mr. Clark.

"Usually the second and third floors of a hotel are the safest," he said.

Safety should be the number one concern of travelers this summer.

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Joe Cua (right), 12th Mission Support Squadron/Comptroller Squadron, bumps the ball to teammate Mike Green during the championship intramural volleyball match Tuesday. (Photos by David Terry)

MSS/CPTS wins title

By Staff Sgt. Lindsey Maurice Wingspread staff writer

After a shaky start to the base intramural volleyball season, the 12th Mission Support Squadron/Comptroller Squadron blasted through the championship bracket to earn the 2006 season title.

The squad defeated the Air Education and Training Command 25-16, 25-22 in the championship match Tuesday at the fitness center.

"It was a tough run to make it here, but we really came together as the season progressed," said Mark KcKibben, MSS/CPTS coach. "It was a combination of good serves, good passes and good hits that earned us the win. Everyone did their part and kept open communication on the court."

After a first-game loss to the MSS/CPTS squad, AETC felt the pressure of game two as the title lay on the line. Billeye Juarez served an ace followed by a kill from Chris Miranda to take an early AETC lead. MSS/CPTS' Mike Green and Clay Corlew answered back with two kills a piece.

AETC's Nick Lopez and Miranda had three more kills, only to give up the next point to a bad serve. Corlew racked up two more points for MSS/CPTS,

while teammate Terry Wilbeck served an ace along the backcourt line.

MSS/CPTS kept the AETC back court scrambling as it took a 12-8 lead. Lopez hammered a spike into MSS/CPTS' back right corner two plays later to give AETC a little momentum. But the MSS/CPTS back court found its glitch, cutting short several AETC spikes with digs from Corlew, Joe Cua and Elaine Morris.

The teams traded several points off of bad serves and illegal hits before Lopez made another kill followed by two points from Greg Beaulieu on the front line.

Rotating back to the frontline, Corlew dominated the net as he shutdown another AETC spike attempt with a block for point, followed by two spikes of his own.

The teams battled back and forth late in the game as Miranda pounded in two late spikes to an unready MSS/CPTS back court. But MSS/CPTS regained its composure and tallied up a few of its own to hold the lead. Green earned the team's last two kills, including a tap into an open AETC right center court for the win.

Leading up to the championship match, MSS/CPTS took an easy win over a forfeiting 12th Operations Support Squadron followed by a tough match against the 12th Communications Squadron/Navigators.



The 12th Mission Support Squadron/Comptroller Squadron intramural volleyball team defeated the Air Education and Training Command for the championship title Tuesday. Team members include (top row from left to right) Mike Green, Clay Corlew, Mark McKibben, Elaine Morris, Jammie Space, (bottom row) Joe Cua, Terri Wilbeck, Josie Ramirez, Leslie Amerson and Blaze Cui.

Fit to Fight



The "Fit to Fight" column recognizes Team Randolph members who achieve an "excellent" rating on the Air Force Fitness Test.

19th Air ForceThomas LovettTia FishJames MartinJames GathrightJohn NeptuneBrian GreenwoodJoseph SandukJodi HayesBernard SchwartzeMichael HogueMichael SutherlandMark LaFondJoel Wilson

SPORTS BRIEFS

Story ideas needed

The Wingspread staff wants to expand its sports section and would like to highlight physically active members of Team Randolph. If you know someone who fits this description, such as a marathon runner, martial arts instructor or ultimate sports competitor, please send an e-mail to wingspread@randolph.af.mil.

For more information, call Staff Sgt. Beth Del Vecchio at 652-5760.

Lap swimming

The south pool offers lap swimming Monday through Friday from 6-8 a.m., 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5-8 p.m.

Swimming lessons

Parents can register their children ages 6 weeks and older for swimming lessons at the information, tickets and travel office, Building 897.

The cost is \$25 per session for season pass holders and \$50 per session for all others. Classes are held Monday through Thursday from 8-11 a.m. and 5-8 p.m. for two weeks or Saturday from 8-11 a.m. for eight weeks at the south pool.

For more information, call 652-6508.

Mini biathlon

The fitness center hosts a mini biathlon June 17 at 8 a.m. at Eberle Park. The event consists of a 5-kilometer run and a 10-mile bike ride.

Competitors are divided into six categories based on gender and age. The first 50 people to register receive a water bottle.

To register, call Refia Grant or Rikk Prado at 652-2955.

Push-up competition

The fitness center hosts a push-up competition Monday from 7-8:30 a.m. Contestants have one minute to do as many push-ups as possible.

The event is free and open to all Department of Defense ID cardholders age 16 and older. Prizes are awarded to the winners.

Children's golf clinic

The Randolph Oaks Golf Course offers a children's golf clinic June 19-23 from 8-9:45 a.m. The cost is \$99 for children without golf clubs and \$50 for those who bring their own. Those interested must register by 4:30 p.m. today.

For more information, call 652-4653.

Link up to Golf

The Randolph Oaks Golf Course offers Link Up to Golf, a PGA program for beginner adult golfers. Charles Bishop, a PGA teaching professional, conducts the program.

For details, call Mr. Bishop at 652-4653.

Water aerobics classes offered at center pool

By Staff Sgt. Beth Del Vecchio Wingspread staff writer

The 12th Services Division offers a water aerobics class every Monday and Wednesday from 10-11 a.m. at the center pool at the officers' club.

The class offers the same benefits as a regular aerobic workout, but is easier on the joints in the body, said Refia Grant, fitness program coordinator.

"The biggest benefit of water aerobics is it allows you to exercise every muscle and joint in your body at the same time," said Ms. Grant. "During the workout, the water cools you off, giving you a refreshing workout."

The water aerobics class is free and runs through late August. Each class can accommodate up to 40 students.

Ms. Grant said students do not need to know how to swim in order to enjoy the workout. The class is held in the shallow end of the pool.

"This class is extremely beneficial to people who are recovering from an injury or women who are pregnant," said Ms. Grant. "It is up to the individual, depending on their fitness level, what intensity level they want to give to the class."

The 12th Services Division will also offer a Thursday water aerobics class geared toward senior citizens starting July 6.

"The classes will last 45 minutes," said Ms. Grant. "They are low impact and are great for those who want to strengthen muscles and workout without aggravating their joints."

For more information, call Refia Grant at 652-2955.



Claudia Sanchez (right), water aerobics coordinator and instructor, leads a class of more than 30 people in basic water aerobics moves Wednesday at the center pool. (Photo by Staff Sgt. Beth Del Vecchio)

